



**EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD  
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**Glory to Jesus Christ!  
Glory Forever!**

**March 1, 2015**

**Slava Isusu Christu!  
Slava Na Viki!**

***DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE***

***SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST***

Mar. 01 Sun. 8:00 AM Deacon Gerald McDonnell by Mary McDonnell & Family  
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

***Third Week of the Great Fast***

Mar. 04 Wed. 7:30 PM Divine Liturgy of St. Gregory – Presanctified Gifts

Mar. 06 Fri. 7:30 PM Divine Liturgy of St. Gregory – Presanctified Gifts

***Third All Souls Saturday***

Mar. 07 Sat. 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy and Remembrance of the Departed

***THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST***

Mar. 08 Sun. 8:00 AM +Kathleen Ryan by Epiphany Ladies Guild  
10:30 AM Intention of Parishioners

***ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE – March 8, 2015***

Mar. 08 Sun. 8:00 AM Joseph Hughes (L), Jack Cooke, James Hughes, C. Susco  
10:30 AM J. Hogan (L), D. Clark, G. Noyes, M. Noyes

***USHER SCHEDULE – March 8, 2015***

Mar. 08 Sun. 8:00 AM T. Ryan (L), J. Kotula, B. Wargo  
10:30 AM T. Fazio (L), M. Bell, M. Kernich

*Second Sunday of the Great Fast*

*March 1, 2015*

**Third All Souls Saturday.** This Saturday is the third All Souls Saturday in which the Divine Liturgy is offered for the blessed repose of our deceased loved ones and a panachida is celebrated with the reading of the Hramoty or diptychs when their names are read. This is observed on Saturday since the Divine Liturgy is not celebrated on weekdays of the Great Fast and because the Bible relates that after creating the universe God “rested” on the seventh or Sabbath day. God commanded the Hebrews to rest on the Sabbath day. This command is perfectly fulfilled by Jesus who rested in the tomb on the Sabbath day of Great Saturday. For this reason we remember our departed every Saturday but especially for these three Saturdays since there are no weekday Liturgies during the Great Fast. This prayer is a work of charity of the Great Fast for those who have died cannot help themselves. Prayer, fasting and charity are the three works of the Great Fast.

**Presanctified Divine Liturgy.** Since the Divine Liturgy is the re-presentation of the sacrificial death of the Lord Jesus on the cross and His resurrection from the dead it makes present Christ’s sacrifice on the Cross and His resurrection as well, the Byzantine Church at the Council in Trullo in 692 legislated that the Divine Liturgy was not to be celebrated on the weekdays of the Great Fast. This is because the Divine Liturgy makes the resurrection present. Instead, Presanctified Divine Liturgy, “the completion of a previous Divine Liturgy (namely, Sunday, when the consecration of the bread and wine into Christ’s Body and Blood took place)”, is offered on Wednesday and Friday evenings. The structure of the Presanctified Divine Liturgy is Vespers. At this Vespers, the four-fold action of the Divine Liturgy that began at the Sunday Divine Liturgy (Jesus “(1)took bread, (2)blessed,”) is completed at Presanctified with the fraction of the Lamb (Jesus “took bread, blessed, (3) broke”) and the distribution of Holy Communion ((4)“and he gave it to them”).

**Fast and Eat.** While Byzantine Catholics fast from meat and other foods during Lent, they are invited to partake of the hyper-essential Food of Holy Communion more frequently. The Church offers the image of the Chosen People traveling through the desert for forty years seeking the Promised Land while God sustained them on manna, the bread that fell from heaven. God gave them manna to eat every day. As we travel to the Promised Land of Easter we are sustained on the true Bread from Heaven, Holy Communion, which we receive at the Divine Liturgies on Saturday and Sunday and the Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Wednesdays and Fridays.

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Lenten Dinner Parking.** Carousel Day Care has six designated parking spaces for child drop off and pickup. The exclusive use of these parking spaces is part of the rental agreement between Epiphany of Our Lord and Carousel Day Care. Please do not park in these parking spaces, which are clearly marked, until close of the day care business day at 6:30 PM.

## EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Epiphany Ladies Guild.** The next meeting of the ELG will be tomorrow Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, in the Parish Center. The meeting will include an important vote concerning proposed modifications to the ELG by-laws. The ELG Secretary has sent out via email a copy of the updated by-laws which include the 2008 amendment that caps the monthly charity contribution to \$500. If you have not received a copy, please contact Marsha Puhak at 703-404-5544 or email [vapuhaks@aol.com](mailto:vapuhaks@aol.com).

**Epiphany Men's Club.** The next meeting of Epiphany Men's Club will be Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM with the meeting following at 7:30 PM. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

**Epiphany Bookstore.** The Epiphany Bookstore is now located in the entry area of the Parish Center. It is open between liturgies on Sunday and during Lenten Dinners. Please stop by and check out our selection of icons, cards, crosses, books and gift items. All proceeds benefit the Epiphany Building Fund.

**Post-construction Update.** Please note the following.

1. Christine Uveyges Loya, the principle of Eikona Studios and the iconographer for our church icons, was here two weeks ago. She removed the icon of the Epiphany from the outdoor shrine and repaired the small areas where paint or gold leaf had flaked. Since Eikona Studios has never seen this in any of their other projects she is hypothesizing that the lexan cover over the front of the icon makes the humid air of summer become super heated while the back of the icon is open to the outside air. The difference in temperature may be responsible. However, she said the icon is also pitting in those places. The icon is in the sacristy curing. Christine Loya also sealed the four principle icons on the icon screen because she said that these egg tempera icons are fully cured and can now accept the protective seal.
2. The cold temperatures were responsible for ice damming on the north side of the church at the servers' sacristy roof. Andrew Cheng of Kerns Group Architects investigated. Miller Brothers has been contacted. Andrew Cheng said the underlayment which is waterproof only goes up two thirds of the way under the roof because of the high cost of this material. The melted water is coming in above the waterproofing underlayment. The extreme temperatures and snow may require us to have underlayment installed the other one third despite the cost. Mike Overton of Miller Brothers is suggesting adding heat tape to those built in gutters on the north facing side which would prevent the ice damming in the first place. Mike Overton said the roof is too ice covered to have their roofers go up and knock off the ice. That would possibly damage shingles. Bill Fournier has put plastic tarp to catch snow and ice melt.
3. The adjustor from Catholic Mutual Insurance was here on Thursday to inspect the damage.

### EMC BINGO

03/03/15 Team D

03/10/15 Team A

03/17/15 Team B

03/24/15 Team C

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**Knights of Columbus Gifts Ukraine.** The Knights of Columbus have given a gift of \$400,000 to the Catholic bishops of Ukraine, \$200,000 to the Greek Catholic bishops and \$200,000 to the Latin Catholic bishops to help them assist the poor. "Too often, the conflict in Ukraine is discussed purely in military or geopolitical terms, while the most vulnerable and marginalized — the young and old, the poor, the sick, and the increasing number of refugee families — are almost invisible to the outside world," said Knights of Columbus Supreme Knight Dr. Carl Anderson. "Our support is meant to further enable the bishops of Ukraine as they help their people and further implement the Holy Father's call to aid those most in need."

**Syriac Catholic Captives.** At least 90 of the Christians recently captured by the Islamic State are Syriac Catholics of the Syriac Catholic patriarchate of Antioch. Their spiritual father, Patriarch Ignatius Joseph III Younan, said prayer is the only possible response. "Let's pray for those innocent people," Patriarch Younan told CNA over the phone from Beirut Feb. 24. Patriarch Ignatius Joseph was previously the Syriac Catholic bishop of Newark, New Jersey. Patriarch Younan said that although it's "so easy" for the ISIS terrorists "to kill and to cut the throat" of non-Muslims, he hopes that will not be the fate of those who were taken on Tuesday. "One possibility", he noted, "is that the Christians who were taken will be exchanged by ISIS militants for prisoners being held by the Kurdish army. Hopefully they will do it," the patriarch said. But, he described the ISIS militants as being "full of hatred and venomous feelings toward the Christians over there." The ISIS fighters, which he referred to as "military terrorists," are "ready to do all the horrible acts without any human feelings... But as I said, we keep praying and hoping." Recently, twenty-one Coptic Orthodox were beheaded by Islamic State soldiers in Libya where the men had gone to find work. Pope Francis has called this a martyrdom, a witness unto death for Jesus Christ. Please join Pope Francis of Rome and Patriarch Ignatius Joseph III of Antioch in prayers for "the sick, the suffering, the captives and for their salvation."

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter.** "Lord. You have the words of everlasting life." Take time to reflect on what God is asking for your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are April 17<sup>th</sup>- 19<sup>th</sup> in Fredericksburg or September 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> in Herndon. For more information or to apply, visit at [renewmarriage-vanorth.org](http://renewmarriage-vanorth.org) or contact [applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org](mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vanorth.org) or 703-378-4150.

**Saint Faustina – Messenger of Mercy.** The one-woman drama on the life of the Divine Mercy Saint, comes to St. Mary of Sorrows Church on Thursday, March 19 at 7:30 PM. Catholic performing artist Nancy Scimone portrays St. Faustina in this internationally-acclaimed presentation for all ages. No tickets required - a free-will offering will be collected. Ample free parking; accessible. 5222 Sideburn Rd., Fairfax 22032. More details at: (703)978-4141 or [www.SaintFaustinaDrama.NET](http://www.SaintFaustinaDrama.NET).